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SUBJECT: CCMS - BACKGROUND ON BRITISH DEMARCHE

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1. UK CCMS OFFICER (POWLES), IN CONVERSATION WITH MISSION  
CCMS OFFICER, HAS PROVIDED BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON UK  
DEMARCHE REPORTED IN REFTEL. AMBASSADOR KILLICK'S APPROACH  
TO CHARGE WAS PROMPTED BY A MEMO POWLES HAD DRAFTED IN  
ANTICIPATION OF HIS SEPTEMBER TRANSFER. IN MEMO, POWLES  
ATTEMPTED TO FORESEE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS THAT HIS SUCCESSOR  
MIGHT FACE. SERIOUS PROBLEM, IN POWLES' VIEW, MIGHT ARISE  
IF UK MINISTRIES FACED FURTHER BUDGETARY CUTBACKS AND IF  
WORK PROGRAMS OF VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS  
CONTINUED TO OVERTAX MANPOWER CAPABILITIES OF UK EXPERTS.  
LONDON WOULD THEN HAVE TO TAKE A HARD LOOK AT ITS INVOLVE-  
MENT IN INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES WITH AIM OF  
ELIMINATING PROJECTS OF LOW PRIORITY. POWLES FEARED THAT  
SOME UK EXPERTS WOULD PREFER TO DEVOTE THEIR EFFORTS TO  
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ORGANIZATIONS WITH PERMANENT MANDATES TO WORK ON SPECIFIC  
PROBLEMS OR IN CERTAIN SECTORS--RATHER THAN ENGAGE IN CCMS  
PILOT STUDIES.

2. UK DELEGATION BELIEVES CCMS' STRONGEST POINT IS THE  
POLITICAL COMMITMENT NATO MADE TO INTENSIFY COOPERATION ON  
NON-DEFENSE MATTERS (AS CALLED FOR IN ARTICLE TWO OF THE

ATLANTIC CHARTER) WHEN IT ESTABLISHED THE COMMITTEE. THUS, AMBASSADOR KILLICK ESPECIALLY APPRECIATED ARGUMENTS MADE BY CHARGE.

3. POWLES REGRETTED THAT HIS DELEGATION RAISED THIS PROBLEM BEFORE MATTERS HAD COME TO A HEAD IN LONDON. HE DID NOT WISH, HOWEVER, TO HAVE HIS SUCCESSOR SURPRISED BY AN ISSUE ON WHICH HE MIGHT LACK SUFFICIENT BACKGROUND TO COUNTER POSSIBLE EFFORTS IN LONDON TO REDUCE UK INVOLVEMENT IN CCMS. POWLES DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT WE COULD BE DIRECTLY HELPFUL AT THE PRESENT TIME. THIS IS AN INTERNAL UK PROBLEM THAT WOULD AFFECT NOT JUST CCMS, BUT UK INVOLVEMENT IN ALL INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES DOING ENVIRONMENTAL WORK. ANY INTERVENTION BEFORE THE QUESTION OF PRIORITIES IS FORMALLY RAISED IN LONDON MIGHT EMBARRASS THE UK REPRESENTATIVE FAIRCLOUGH WHO STRONGLY SUPPORTS CCMS. THE UK DELEGATION HAS NOT DISCUSSED THIS PROBLEM WITH ANY OTHER DELEGATION SINCE IT DID NOT WISH TO CREATE A "CRISIS" FOR CCMS.

4. IN CONCLUDING, POWLES SAID THAT THE UK, ESPECIALLY THE UK MISSION TO NATO, WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT CCMS. HE WAS CONCERNED, HOWEVER, THAT THERE MIGHT BE A WIDENING GAP BETWEEN UK VERBAL SUPPORT AND ITS ACTUAL INVOLVEMENT, E.G. WILLINGNESS TO LEAD NEW PILOT STUDIES. IF LONDON DECIDED TO REVIEW ITS PRIORITIES, EVIDENCE OF CONTINUED U.S. COMMITMENT TO CCMS WOULD BE VALUABLE "AMMUNITION" IN FIGHT TO

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MAINTAIN ACTIVE UK PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMITTEE. BENNETT

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